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3751

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FETSUGA

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1238U002

**ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**

Fee Transmittal Form



Fee Attached



Amendment/Reply



After Final



Affidavits/declaration(s)



Extension of Time Request



Express Abandonment Request



Information Disclosure Statement



Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)



Reply to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application



Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53



Drawing(s)



Licensing-related Papers



Petition



Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application



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Terminal Disclaimer



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Proprietary Information



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**Remarks**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.7(a), this Notice of Appeal is timely submitted within 3 months of the mailing date of the Office Action dated September 9, 2005.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

Firm Name

CHARLES A. RATTNER

Signature



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Date

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	10/721,515
		Filing Date	11/24/2003
		First Named Inventor	STEWART
		Examiner Name	FETSUGA
		Art Unit	3751
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b> (\$) 250.00		Attorney Docket No.	1238U002

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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims** - 20 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_  
 HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

**Indep. Claims** - 3 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_  
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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Description	Fees Paid (\$)
Non-English Specification. \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge); FEE FOR NOTICE OF APPEAL (SMALL ENTITY)	250.00

<b>SUBMITTED BY</b>		
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Name (Print/Type) CHARLES A. RATTNER	Date DECEMBER 9, 2005	

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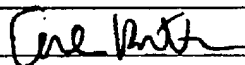
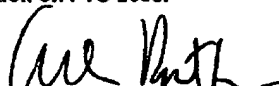
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Applicant hereby <b>appeals</b> to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.		
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